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Idaho Milk Production Down 3.5 Percent

Idaho milk production during July 2009 totaled 1.05 billion pounds, a 3.5 percent decrease from the same month last year, but up 1.9 percent from June 2009, according to the National Agricultural Statistics Service. June 2009 milk production was revised to 1.03 billion pounds, down 6 million pounds from the preliminary level. Average milk production per cow in July 2009 was 1,920 pounds, down 40 pounds from July 2008. The average number of milk cows during July was 548,000 head, down 1,000 head from the revised June 2009 and down 8,000 head from July 2008.

Milk production in the 23 major States during July totaled 14.9 billion pounds, up 0.1 percent from July 2008. June revised production at 14.8 billion pounds, was up 0.1 percent from June 2008. The June revision represented an increase of 34 million pounds or 0.2 percent from last month's preliminary production estimate. Production per cow in the 23 major States averaged 1,769 pounds for July, 25 pounds above July 2008. The number of milk cows on farms in the 23 major States was 8.40 million head, 115,000 head less than July 2008, and 34,000 head less than June 2009.

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